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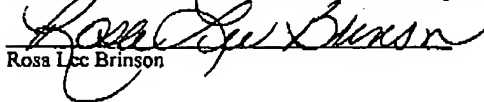


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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 23, 2004**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 23, 2004 please amend the above-identified application as shown.

If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Amendments to the Specification are provided at page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the Figures are presented with replacement **Figure 1** and new **Figure 8C**, attached hereto.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this document.